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TOPICS OF INTEREST TO EVERY WOMAN

EDITED BY JULIA CHANDLER MANZ

TRIMMED WITH PLAID.



Navy blue serge was made up in this style, which is an adaptation of the peasant's blouse. The dress slips on over the head, the facing at the top being fastened and tied in a bow. This facing is made of a blue and white plaid with ends wound and stitched with black silk thread.

THE LIVING WAGE FOR WOMEN IN INDUSTRY

English Women Receive Low Salary for Work.

Among the numerous interesting and able papers read at the National Union of Women Workers' conference at Oxford was one by Miss Constance Smith on "The Living Wage for Women in Industry." The wage of the worker, said Miss Smith, was not now looked upon merely as a matter of pounds, shillings and pence, but rather as the value that stands for physical, mental, and moral attributes in human life.

AN EYE-OPENER.

The industrial statistics of 1911-12 had had their value in opening the eyes of a number of people to the actual conditions among industrial workers. Speaking of the conditions of labor among women workers, Miss Smith said that women had to overcome a tendency to apathy and a willingness to combine in their own interests, as well as the tradition that a woman was not expected to earn enough to keep herself.

The majority of women entered the labor market either in early life, when they had only unskilled labor to sell, or in later life when the responsibility of the upkeep of a family made work of some kind, however badly paid, a vital economic necessity. In these circumstances, it could hardly be expected that the average wages of women in industry could be at a figure to afford satisfaction.

Low Level of Payment.

The proportion of women earning under 15 shillings per week in the textile trades as a whole, was 72.5 per cent, whilst 21.2 per cent actually earned under 10 shillings per week. In the clothing trade matters were not much better, and in the war-making trades, such as jam and sweet making, the packing and slaughtering trades, there was still a lower level of average payment.

The real remedies, concluded Miss Smith, were to be found in better education, better technical training, and, above all, it must be made not only possible but easy for girls to organize themselves in trade unions. It was only by union and organization that women workers could hope to maintain a stable position.

Fashions in Belts.

Lacking a smart belt, the tailored skirt and the tailored blouse are shorn of the grace and charm of the office clerk's costume.

If the figure is both slight and abnormally long-waisted, the belt may be three inches broad. In its smartest expression this accessory is of black patent leather, bound through the center with an inch-wide band of white kid, is white satin lined and fastens with a dull gold buckle and clasp.

Also chic-looking is the broad belt of taupe kid slashed to show facings of black velvet, separated by gun metal ornaments and closing with a trunk buckle of the same material.

Two gold or silver trunk buckles run through with lap ends decorate the center of a smart, narrow belt that is two-thirds of black patent kid and one-third in Indian red suede.

Of similar width are the belts of burnished leather in black or brown on white, decorated through the center with narrow straps of blue kid carrying a row of five tiny gilt buttons. This type of belt, like most of those worn solely with a tailored skirt and shirt, is trunk buckle fastened.

Good Rice Pudding.

Boil one pint of milk in double boiler; add one-half cupful (small) of washed rice; a little salt; and two tablespoonsful of sugar. Cook until rice is soft, beating constantly and stirring occasionally. When nearly done add one well beaten egg and finish cooking with sugar and cream.

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A SOLDIER'S OFFENSE AND HIS PARDON

A Man Must Be a Man Before He Can Make a Good Soldier.

By FRANCES SHAFFER.

Last October, on the story goes, it happened that a common soldier in the Russian army very much wanted to prevent a petition to the highest power of all in that vast empire, and while the czar was reviv in the troops at Moscow he boldly but very foolishly stepped out of the ranks to deliver his plea in person. Of course he never reached the royal presence, and it was scarcely right that he should, in view of certain serious possibilities and because of the need for maintenance of discipline. And of course he was hustled away to prison, was tried, and soon convicted.

The Pardon.

And now comes an imperial decree: "As an expression of my thanks for the grace of God, which has granted recovery to the hero to the throne, I pardon Private Dachtin his grave offense."

So the common soldier once more will come out into the full light of day, and the whole Russian army will have been given a sharp lesson in the might of the government when it aims to preserve discipline and in the power of the czar when he wants to be kind.

As an incident, it may or may not be true for the story is mightily garbled in the telling sometimes even manufactured to make a bit of dramatic reading. But as no woman read it, a woman who has no use for war at its worst or its best, she thought of the dominating influence in every army under the sun—right discipline.

A Blind Creed.

She does not know what the layman thinks, but she knows right well that one laywoman firmly believes that in the armies and the navies of the world far too much emphasis is placed upon that one word, discipline. She only recognizes or thinks she does, the need for that blind creed for soldiers.

"There's not to make reply. There's but to do and die."

And she recalls that the common soldier must march, halt, fire, eat, sleep, and always salute when he is commanded to do so. He is to be led on to the very mouth of the cannon—by unquestioning, unthinking obedience.

But the echoes that come from quarters where soldiers and sailors are created and raised, and where they are trained, demand for discipline there are so many questions of superiority and inferiority, so much bowing to rank, so many needless regulations, and so frequent demands for submission, that they are a small chance for the man to creep through.

Yet a man must be a man before he can make much of a soldier. There must be discipline, even a laywoman will admit that, but the time is sure to come when there will be a different, a softer and a far more manly way of interpreting a "grave offense."

Instead of Handkerchiefs.

Instead of sending handkerchiefs just as you buy them in the shops, do you know there are numerous little trifles you may make from them, things that cost little and look little and are very useful. An embroidery or lace-trimmed one, for instance, just the ordinary woman's size, will make a baby's bib, dainty and pretty, with the addition of a plain glove sized handkerchief for the lining. Cut across one corner, round out a circle for the neck and fasten in back with buttons and loops.

One of those delicately colored little glove handkerchiefs will make a hair receiver. Put two buttons along one edge, white loops on the adjoining edge and then button it up—and you'll have a gorgeous-champ hair receiver that needs just a loop on its top point by which it may be hung up properly.

Another simple but attractive trifle is the glove sash. Turn back the corners of the corners of the glove sash and make a pocket for the handkerchief. If you can get a handkerchief with one corner embroidered—there are many styles of them now—you may use the embroidered corner for the flap which is outside. With a ribbon on the under part and another on the flap you'll have all the casting you need for this dainty conceit.

The Gathered Muff.

The huge Granny muff made of gathered and corded silk, velvet, brocade or chiffon is very fashionable this season. It is besides quite simple to make, and looks much more chic than the muff of poor imitation fur. Blue and red shot taffetas are used for a pretty model. Two thicknesses of wadding form the lining, on to which the silk is gathered and divided into sections with piping cords. Wide frills of the silk finish off the muff on either side.

SIMPLE IN CONSTRUCTION.



This clever little frock is simplicity itself in construction, and may be made by the home dressmaker in a few hours. It closes at the front and may have long or short sleeves. Linen, muslin, percale, or chambray are among the most available wash goods, while cashmere and serge are nice for winter wear.

The pattern, No. 604, is cut in sizes two to eight years. Medium size will require two and one-quarter yards of thirty-inch material or two yards of goods forty-four inches wide. The pattern may be obtained by sending 10 cents to the pattern department of The Washington Herald.

Life is given when duty is a part.

A DISTINCTIVE BLOUSE.



For a foundation there is a plain, front-closing waist of white chiffon, with lace frills on front and sleeves. Around the bust is tied a double-faced grosgrain ribbon with a pleated edge. One side of this ribbon is a bright mustard yellow; the other a rich olive green. The lighter side is folded forward at each edge before fastening in place.

The outside waist of black chiffon closes at the throat and opens gradually to the waist line, showing the frill and ribbon bow. The little knot at the collar is of black velvet with pink embroidered flowers.

THE VARIOUS PHASES OF VANITY CASES

A jeweled vanity case in gold—or in silver metal, which looks equally well and cost many dollars less—adds greatly to the luxurious ensemble of an afternoon street costume of velvet and fur. The newest cases measure fully four by six inches and are very thick through, thus affording space for all of the articles which usually are carried in a small-sized handbag of handkerchief size. Sunk into the lid of the case is a mirror of satisfactory size, since it reflects the face and the hair of the woman who carries it. In the lower or bottom section are receptacles for change, bills, delicately perfumed face powder, and—beauty is mighty and must prevail!—lip paint.

If the price of one of these large vanity cases is prohibitive, by all means cultivate the contented state of mind which is the secret of happiness, and buy a small-sized vanity case. Have it in gold, if its price can be saved from the dress or housekeeping allowance, otherwise use of pyroxylin or a tortoise shell design, which is the most durable, and add a small-sized vanity case. Have it in gold, if its price can be saved from the dress or housekeeping allowance, otherwise use of pyroxylin or a tortoise shell design, which is the most durable, and add a small-sized vanity case.

Lemon Pie or "Transparent Pudding."

Cream half a pound of butter and a pound of sugar, whip the yolks of six eggs and the whites of four. Add the creamed butter and sugar to the yolks, the grated peel and juice of a lemon, half a teaspoonful of mace, a tablespoonful of brandy, and the whipped whites of the four eggs.

Beat the egg whites to a fine paste and wash this over with the white of an egg; fill with the lemon mixture. Bake in a moderate oven and when done spread with a meringue made of the egg whites and sugar. Serve with a little lemon juice.

Hot Ham Sandwiches.

Whenever you happen to have an over-supply of stale bread and some scraps of cold, cooked ham, you will find that they will make a delicious dish for lunch. The ham should be minced quite fine and when that is done mix it with it to a cupful of minced ham, a teaspoonful of French mustard, a teaspoonful of minced parsley, a tablespoonful of ham gravy and a tablespoonful of salt. Spread this on slices of white bread. Press a slice of bread on each ham-covered slice. Beat 1 egg and add to it 1 cupful of milk. Dip the sandwiches in this and after taking them out let them stand a while, then fry brown on one side and then on the other. Serve on a hot dish.

Card Cases.

Brocade card cases are beautiful, the only decoration being the tiny silver initials on one large initial in one corner. These initials cost 15 cents for the small ones and 25 cents for the large ones. The card cases should have the large pocket as well as the small ones for cards. To make this lay the lining in place, then fold back another length, forming the pocket. This gives a pocket the size of the card case and when the case is folded the card case will be closed. The case is held securely in place. Ribbon is used for lining, and a fine silk cord or galloon will cover the edge.

A New Workbag.

Easily constructed is a new model in workbags of the size that is nice to have about the table in the living room. To make it, cover with plain silk a pair of disks of about three-inch diameter and shir about the lower half of each of these, the opposite edges of a yard-long strip of sash ribbon, with a wide mouth which may be drawn together by ribbon hanging attached to the top-edges of the disks. On the inner side of the patterned disks may be added, for extra comfort, for the accommodation of needles and pins and to the outer side may be suspended scissors and emery. The mine sort of bag, but of a different shape, may be made by shaping the workbag foundation into oblong and running the sides of the sash strip to their upper corners. When the mine sort of oblong bag is covered with plain silk or satin and the shirred strip is of a flowered material, the effect is especially pleasing.

Let never day nor night unshaken's pain. But still remember what the Lord hath done.

ALL WAITING FOR THE PARCEL POST

Merchant's Optimistic Over Its Success, and Will Adopt It by Degrees.

MAIL ORDERING HELPED

Retail Merchants to Discuss It at the Next Meeting of the Governors' Board.

A discussion of the new parcel post service will occupy the greater part of the next meeting of the board of governors of the Retail Merchants' Association next Friday, when the possibilities held forth by the new service to the merchants will be thoroughly canvassed. Most of the Washington merchants are of one accord in predicting a large field of usefulness for the new parcel post system, which will be started on January 1. Just to what extent local merchants will depend upon the post-office as a means of delivering their wares to their customers, most of them are not prepared to say, but rather agree with R. W. Woodward, of Woodward & Lothrop, who states that while his firm is making preparations to make use of the new government service, it will, perhaps, not depend on the mails for delivery much more than at present until the new service has passed the stage of experiment and people have a better understanding of its workings.

Will Help City.

By stimulating a large out-of-town clientele, Mr. Woodward believes that the development of the new parcel post system may do much to build up this city as a mercantile center. The favorable situation of this city for growing into a distribution depot to the Southern States, with the added consideration of its being the Nation's Capital, and therefore fitting that it take the lead in things of state leads Mr. Woodward to believe that, with a cheap, dependable, and simple means of distribution for making local deliveries, the new branch of the Post-office Department can provide, much lasting benefit may result to this city's commerce.

Stimulate Mail Orders.

Isaac Grand, prominent retail in the Retail Merchants' Association and Chamber of Commerce, expressed the opinion that the parcel post would undoubtedly stimulate the mail order business done by Washington firms. He said that it was an open question, however, how much the new service will be used by Washington merchants locally.

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LOAN ASSOCIATION MEETS.

The third annual meeting of the Hebrew Free Loan Association was held last night in the temple of the Adas Israel congregation, corner Ninth and I Streets Northwest.

Rabbi Abraham Simon, organ of the organization to build up the organization not only among the Jewish people of their own congregation, but among all the Jews in the city. He praised the work and methods rendering assistance to their unfortunate brothers. Rabbi Simon declared he thought it better to loan money free of any interest than to give it to the poor. To give it outright, he said, makes the receiver dependent upon charity and belittles him in the eyes of the world.

Other addresses were made by Simon Wolf, Rabbi of the Hebrew Free Loan Association, Marcus Korman, and Dr. Gluck. The annual reports of the officers showed that remarkable strides had been made by the organization during the past year. A large number of poor had received assistance than during the previous year and the association had increased materially in membership.

The annual election of officers resulted in the choice of the following: Julius Baumgartner, re-elected president for the fourth time; M. Karmon, first vice president; Charles Happort, second vice president; H. Kohn, recording secretary; Wolf, financial secretary; and S. Gordon, treasurer.

The following were chosen members of the board of directors: L. Cohen, R. I. Cohen, M. Kohn, Hyman Kohn, M. Kohn, A. Goldstein, M. D. Miller, N. I. Miller, P. Harnel, M. Goldman, and Jacob Flax.

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